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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AND IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 AND 5)
(3 VOTES)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amounts and the changes for the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. FCC0001031 Hollyhills Drain, Unit 8B, Connection, to construct a storm drain, City of West Hollywood (3), Clarke Contracting Corporation, for changes required to account for additions and reductions in bid quantities and differing site conditions, with an increase in the contract amount of \$8,213.90.
- Project ID No. RDC0011226 Altadena Drive, et al., to reconstruct roadway pavement and modify traffic signals, in the unincorporated community of Altadena (5), Sequel Contractors, Inc., for changes required to replace sidewalk and curb and gutter and remove buried concrete, with an increase in the contract amount of \$148,357.00.

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> Project ID No. RDC0013777 - Fair Oaks Avenue, to reconstruct roadway pavement and install street lighting and traffic signal systems, in the unincorporated community of Altadena (5), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, for changes required to plant additional trees, construct a temporary access ramp, and provide electronic sign boards, with an increase in the contract amount of \$38,705.70.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the attachment for each contract.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Attached for your ratification is a change in work, which the Director of Public Works ordered for Project ID No. FCC0001031.

Also attached for your authorization are changes in work in excess of his delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0011226 and RDC0013777.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts range from increases of \$8,213.90 to \$148,357.00.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the attachments.

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If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the attachments do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the attachments.

#### IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

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### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (3)

c: County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (RATIFY) February 6, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001031 - HOLLYHILLS DRAIN, UNIT 8B, CONNECTION (City of West Hollywood), Supervisorial District 3, Contractor: Clarke Contracting Corporation

#### **Project Description:**

Construction of a 78-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe and other appurtenant work.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	\$4,646.07
(2)	Clean Manhole	2,786.59
(3)	Pipe Tie-In	502.25
(4)	Hand Excavation	171.72
(5)	Slurry Backfill	<u>107.27</u>
	Total	\$8,213.90

#### **Description of Changes:**

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) To accommodate access and remove an existing manhole and concrete bulkhead, it will be necessary to have the contractor remove trash and debris from within the manhole.
- (3) Your Board previously approved a change in work for additional excavation required to locate the existing storm drain tie-in. The cost of the work exceeded the estimate by the amount shown.
- (4) Your Board previously approved a change in work for an excavation to be hand dug to protect utilities while installing a catch basin connector pipe. The cost of the work exceeded the estimate by the amount shown.

(5) Your Board previously approved a change in work to slurry backfill a connector pipe trench and protect existing utilities in the vicinity of Kings Road and Santa Monica Boulevard. The cost of the work exceeded the estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2, 3, 4, and 5 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

#### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$497,269.00
Changes in work previously approved	
by your Board	18,400.00
Changes in work to be ratified	8,213.90
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Revised contract amount	\$ <u>523,882.90</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) February 6, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011226 - ALTADENA DRIVE, ET AL. (in the unincorporated community of Altadena), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Sequel Contractors, Inc.

#### **Project Description:**

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalk, and driveways; construction of bus pads and curb ramps; modification of traffic signals; striping and pavement markings; and other appurtenant work.

#### Changes in Work:

(1) (2)	Remove Concrete Install Concrete Sidewalk and Curb	\$ 30,900.00 <u>117,457.00</u>
	Total	\$ <u>148,357.00</u>

#### **Description of Changes:**

- (1) During the removal of the sidewalk on Altadena Drive from Crest Drive to Porter Avenue, the contractor discovered existing buried concrete curb and gutter, which interferes with the proposed work. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor to demolish and dispose of this concrete to reconstruct the sidewalk.
- (2) The plans show to replace the existing asphalt sidewalk and curb with new asphalt. The community requested that concrete sidewalk and curb and gutter be installed instead. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the increased cost of this work.

The cost for Item 1 and a portion of the cost of Item 2 will be based on contract unit prices. The balance of the cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Twenty-five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

# **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$2,192,114.00
Changes in work to be authorized	_148,357.00
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Revised contract amount	\$ <u>2,340,471.00</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) February 6, 2008

<u>PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013777 - FAIR OAKS AVENUE</u> (in the unincorporated community of Altadena), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Sully-Miller Contracting Company

#### **Project Description:**

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, and cross gutters; construction of curb ramps and bus pads; installation of street lighting, traffic signal systems, and striping and pavement markings; and other appurtenant work.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Additional Trees	\$34,575.00
(2)	Temporary Access Ramp	2,060.70
(3)	Electronic Message Sign Board	2,070.00
	Total	\$38.705.70

#### Description of Changes:

- (1) To meet the intent of the plans, additional trees will be planted on both sides of Fair Oaks Avenue for the entire limit of the project.
- (2) To maintain access for local traffic, it will be necessary to construct a temporary access ramp at the intersection of Fair Oaks Avenue and Mariposa Street due to the excessive grade change between the new and existing pavement.
- (3) It will be necessary for the contractor to provide electronic message sign boards to alert motorists of the closure of Mariposa Street.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

## **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$2,718,999.77
Changes in work previously	
approved by your Board	67,058.20
Changes in work to be authorized	38,705.70
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>2,824,763.67</u>

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